

588 Green Bay Road  
Denmark, WI 54208  
October 15, 2014

Dear Colleague,

The Brown County **Zeta Chapter** of Delta Kappa Gamma, an international honorary society of educators, sponsors an annual literary competition for students in **Brown County Schools** in grades **3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8**. We know that you realize the importance of promoting excellence in writing, and we hope that our competition will offer another vehicle to encourage quality student writing. We love recognizing students, and the teachers who give them the opportunity to write.

If you wish to participate in this year's competition, you may assist your students with their entries. Enclosed you will find: the judging standards for the competition, general information, entry deadlines, blanks for the participants' names, and the contest rules.

Please submit a **maximum** of **5** entries per teacher. Students who have participated, but who did not place in the competition, will receive an acknowledgment from Delta Kappa Gamma. If you have a split grade, please submit a separate form for each grade with a total of 5 entries.

Student entries must be submitted to Roberta Gale, your **Zeta Chapter Representative**, by Wednesday, December 13, 2013. **Please note the December deadline. Please deliver books to Aldo Leopold School 622 Eliza Street Green Bay, WI 5430, attention Faye Zeamer or mail them to Roberta Gale at the above address. You may contact me at [rjgale@gbonline.com](mailto:rjgale@gbonline.com)**

We thank you and look forward to your support of our literary competition.

Sincerely,

Roberta Gale  
Literary Chairperson

## 2014 Contest Information Page

Please note: A copy of this contest page should be securely bound as the last page of the book or attached to the inside back cover.

Book Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Author's Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Author's Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State and Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Teacher's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 School \_\_\_\_\_  
 School's Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 School's City, State and Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Local Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ Zeta \_\_\_\_\_

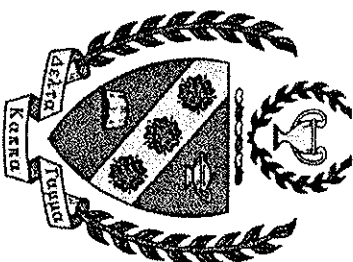
Grade	Maximum
3	No more than 500 words
4 and 5	No more than 600 words
6-8	No more than 800 words

1. My book has \_\_\_\_\_ words (count all the words) and meets the word requirement for my grade. Yes No
2. My book's overall size is no larger than 10" by 12". Yes No
3. My book is securely bound. Yes No
4. My book is flat when closed. Yes No
5. My book is neatly done. Yes No
6. My book has illustrations within the text. Yes No
7. My book has an illustrated cover. Yes No
8. My book has a separate title page. Yes No
9. This contest page is securely attached in the back of my book (last page or back cover) Yes No
10. I have listed my sources for downloaded or scanned illustrations, including my original work. Yes No
11. This book is my own work. Yes No
12. I have proofread my book for errors. Yes No

I give permission to DK& to copy all or parts of my book and to use my name and picture for publication to promote the Literary Competition.

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society  
International

Sigma State's Annual  
Mary Jo Nettesheim Memorial  
Literary and Illustrator  
Competition  
2014



Contest Information  
 Illustrated Fictional Book Competition  
 Open to Wisconsin Students  
 In Grades 3 - 8

Author's Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent or Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## 2014 State Literary Competition

### Who May Enter:

To enter, a student must attend a Wisconsin school and be in grades 3-8 this school year. Books must be entered at the student's current grade level.

### Book Requirements:

The book must be written and illustrated by one student.

The book should be an original fictional piece with well-developed characters, setting, plot, etc. (not poetry).

Appropriate illustrations can be drawings, collages, computer art, paintings or original photographs and must be incorporated into the text (not just before or after the story). Sources for downloaded or scanned artwork must be documented. Books that do not cite sources will be disqualified. Pop-ups may be used provided they are an integral part of the book. All art media and techniques may be used alone or in combination. The cover design should relate to the story.

Stories may be handwritten, typed or computer printouts. Someone other than the author may do the typing and editing. Overall book size (text, illustrations, cover, etc.) should not exceed 10 X 12 inches.

Books without an illustrated cover as well as atitle page will be disqualified. Books should be securely bound. (If using plastic binders, please staple text before covering with binding strip).

Books may not exceed the maximum number of words (count all in the text) for the author's grade level:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
3	No more than 500 words
4 and 5	No more than 600 words
6-8	No more than 800 words

Books that exceed word count maximum will be disqualified.

Each entry must contain a separate Contest Information Page bound securely as the last page of the book or attached to the inside back cover. (A copy of the form can be found on the back of this information sheet.)

### Chapter Judging:

All books are submitted to the local Delta Kappa Gamma Chapter for preliminary judging. Final deadline is Wednesday, December 13, 2013.

Further information available at:

<http://deltekappagamma.org/WI/LiteraryContestRulesForms.html>

This includes a PowerPoint presentation for classroom use.

## State Literary Competition

### Who is Eligible:

Winning books at the chapter level will be forwarded to the state competition by the local literary committee on/or before March 12, 2014.

### Judging:

Books will be judged using the following criteria: Story Elements, Creativity, Originality and Mechanics.

### State Literary Awards:

1<sup>st</sup> place winners in each grade at the chapter level will be forwarded to the state competition by the local literary committee.

### State awards:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Trophy and a \$50 check
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Trophy and a \$20 check
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Trophy and a \$10 check
- Honorable Mention - Trophy
- All State Entries receive a certificate and ribbon*

### State Illustrator Competition

### Who is eligible:

All chapter level winners whose books are submitted to the Literary Competition will also be considered for the Illustrator Competition.

### Judging:

The student's grade level will be taken into consideration when illustrations are judged.

### Books will be judged using the following criteria:

Originality, Appropriateness of illustrations to text, Continuity, Creative use of media and techniques, Quality of Cover Design as it relates to the story, and Neatness. All scanned (including original work) and computer-generated illustrations must include a citation, or the entry will be disqualified.

### State Illustrator Awards:

- Grand Prize - Plaque or trophy, ribbon and medal
- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Honorable Mention and Special Recognition-ribbon and medal

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place winners for each grade level in the local competition will be invited to an awards presentation. The awards presentation will be held at Preble High School on February 18, 2014 at 5:30. A reception will follow.

Local Contact: Roberta Gale 863-6846 Date Due to Chapter: 12-13-13